

Comparisons of Job Characteristics

Focus Occupation: [Security Guards \(33-9032\)](#)

Associated Occupation: [Private Detectives and Investigators \(33-9021\)](#)

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<<	Focus occupation element is much lower
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0	Focus occupation element is at a similar level
>	Focus occupation element is at a higher level
>>	Focus occupation element is at a much higher level

Knowledge

Similarity of Focus Occupation to Associated Occupation: 47

Focus Occupation: Security Guards (33-9032)

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Associated Occupation's Key Knowledge Elements	Average Rating, All Occupations	Associated Occupation's Rating	Focus Occupation's Rating	Evaluation of Focus Occupation	
Customer and Personal Service	11.3	18.7	5.4	<<	Extensive education and/or training may be required
English Language	11.2	16.6	4.0	<<	Extensive education and/or training may be required
Clerical	7.3	15.7	1.9	<<	Extensive education and/or training may be required
Law and Government	5.9	15.3	3.5	<<	Extensive education and/or training may be required
Administration and Management	8.4	12.6	7.0	<<	Extensive education and/or training may be required

The maximum possible rating is 25.

Source: Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development, Research and Analysis Section analysis of O*NET (Occupation Information Network) data.

Skills

Similarity of Focus Occupation to Associated Occupation: 83

Focus Occupation: Security Guards (33-9032)

Associated Occupation: Private Detectives and Investigators (33-9021)

Associated Occupation's Key Skills Elements	Average Rating, All Occupations	Associated Occupation's Rating	Focus Occupation's Rating	Evaluation of Focus Occupation	
Active Listening	11.0	13.2	9.8	<<	Extensive development of skills in this area may be required
Critical Thinking	10.8	12.5	8.0	<<	Extensive development of skills in this area may be required
Social Perceptiveness	9.1	11.0	7.2	<<	Extensive development of skills in this area may be required
Negotiation	6.8	8.4	5.7	<<	Extensive development of skills in this area may be required

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Abilities		Similarity of Focus Occupation to Associated Occupation: 81			
Focus Occupation: Security Guards (33-9032) Associated Occupation: Private Detectives and Investigators (33-9021)					
Associated Occupation's Key Abilities Elements	Average Rating, All Occupations	Associated Occupation's Rating	Focus Occupation's Rating	Evaluation of Focus Occupation	
Deductive Reasoning	10.6	12.9	8.4	<<	Extensive improvement in abilities may be required
Inductive Reasoning	10.2	12.9	8.4	<<	Extensive improvement in abilities may be required
Problem Sensitivity	11.1	12.8	11.2	<	Some improvement in abilities may be required
Written Expression	9.8	12.5	6.9	<<	Extensive improvement in abilities may be required
Selective Attention	8.7	10.6	9.9	0	Current ability level may be sufficient
Flexibility of Closure	7.8	9.5	8.4	<	Some improvement in abilities may be required

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Activities that Both Occupations Have in Common		Similarity of Focus Occupation to Associated Occupation: 78
Focus Occupation: Security Guards (33-9032) Associated Occupation: Private Detectives and Investigators (33-9021)		
Work Activities	Exclusivity of Activity	
Communicate details in protective services settings	71	
Enforce laws, ordinances, or regulations	66	
Investigate complaints, disturbances, or violations	75	
Make decisions	24	
Oversee work progress to verify safety or conformance to standards	49	
Patrol or guard area or premises	76	
Prepare reports	8	
Use firearms	82	
Use oral or written communication techniques	1	

Not all positions in these occupations will necessarily perform all of the listed activities. The exclusivity rating is an indication of how unique the activity is amongst all occupations. The maximum rating is 100. High scores indicate that only a small number of occupations engage in that activity.

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Tools and Technologies that Both Occupations Have in Common

Similarity of Focus
Occupation to Associated
Occupation: 74

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Tools and Technologies	Exclusivity
Cameras	2
Computers	1
Content authoring and editing software	1
Data management and query software	1
Firearms	35
Surveillance and detection equipment	11

Not all positions in these occupations will necessarily use all of the listed tools and technologies. The exclusivity rating is an indication of how unique the tool or technology is amongst all occupations. The maximum rating is 100. High scores indicate that only a small number of occupations use that tool or technology.

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